क्षेत्रीय दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों द्वारा कार्यक्रमों के चयन के लिए मानदंड

4559. **श्री मनोहर कान्त ध्यानी:** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि क्षेत्रीय दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों पर प्रसारण के लिए चुने गए कार्यक्रमों में क्षेत्रीय संतुलन का ध्यान नहीं रखा जाता है;

(ख) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश के संदर्भ में राज्य के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों की "अवधि", "भोजपुरी", "बुन्देलखण्डी", "ब्रजभाषा", "म्यान्दावी", "गढ़वाली" और "कुमाऊंनी" भाषाओं (बोलियों) के लिए कोई मानदंड बनाएं गए हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या इन बोलियों में कार्यक्रम तैयार किए जा रहे हैं; यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) विभिन्न क्षेत्रों के लिए कार्यक्रम तैयार करने/प्रसारित करने हेतु कोई निश्चित मानदण्ड नहीं हैं। तथापि, दूरदर्शन केन्द्र लखनऊ से समय-समय पर विभिन्न क्षेत्रों के कार्यक्रम उनके लोक संगीत, सांस्कृतिक विरासत और साहित्य को प्रदर्शित करके सम्बन्धित क्षेत्र की भाषा/बोलियों में प्रसारित किए जाते हैं। इन कार्यक्रमों की यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए संतुलित ढंग से रूपरेखा तैयार की जाती है कि सभी क्षेत्रों को पर्याप्त कवरेज प्राप्त हो।

दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों के कार्य-निष्पादन की समीक्षा

4560. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार देश, विशेषकर गुजरात, में प्रचालनरत दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों के कार्य-निष्पादन की कोई समीक्षा करती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो वर्ष 1996-97 के दौरान राजकोट दूरदर्शन के लिए निर्धारित लक्ष्यों की तुलना में उनके कार्य-निष्पादन और उनकी खामियों का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इसके लिए उत्तरदायी घटक कौन-कौन से हैं; और

(घ) क्या इस केन्द्र के क्षेत्रीय प्रसारण का कार्य-निष्पादन स्तर लगातार गिरता जा रहा है?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज): (क) दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों के कार्यकरण से संबंधित मामले पूर्व रूप से प्रसार भारती के अधिकार क्षेत्र में आते हैं और सरकार द्वारा इन पर कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया जाता है। तथापि, प्रसार भारती समय-समय पर दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों का निरीक्षण करता है।

(ख) प्रसार भारती ने 1996-97 के दौरान दूरदर्शन केन्द्र, राज कोट के कार्य-निष्पादन के संबंध में ऐसा कोई लक्ष्य निर्धारित नहीं किया था।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(घ) जी, नहीं।

Anomalies in distribution of Commissioned Programmes in Doordarshan, Guwahati

4561. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the rampant corruption and anomalies in the recent past with regard to distribution of various Commissioned Programmes by the Deputy Director General (NER), Doordarshan, Guwahati to a section of so-called businessmen involved in making TV serials, documentaries and royalty programme etc. at Doordarshan, Guwahati; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the same has been discussed with "Prasar Bharati Board" to take necessary action against such corrupt officers?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) Certain newspapers carried the allegations of malpractices against Guwahati Doordarshan officials, reportedly made by some artists including film directors and producers in a Press Conference in allotment of Doordarshan's commissioned programmes to commemorate 50th Anniversary of India's independence. The

process of selection of producers for allotment of such programmes at Guwahati Kendra was challenged in Guwahati High Court. However, the matter has not come up for hearing as yet and remains sub-judice.

On-going hearing against Shaw Wallace Company Ltd.

4562. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Shaw Wallace and Company has filed form 23AA under Section 209(1) of the Companies Act on 19th June, 1998 before Registrar of Companies, Calcutta to move the books and accounts/records of the company from its registered office at Calcutta;

(b) whether Government have intervened to stop this in view of the ongoing hearing against the company before the Company Law Board; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. THAMBI DURAI): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. M/s. Shaw Wallace & Co. Limited has filed form No. 23AA with the Registrar of Companies, Calcutta on 19.6.98, in terms of Section 209(1) of the Companies Act, intimating that the Board of Directors of the company have decided, vide resolution dated 1.6.98 to keep the books of accounts of the company at the premises in Bank of Baroda building, IInd Floor, 3-Walchand Hirachand Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai. There is no provision in the Companies Act, 1956 to stop the company from keeping the books of accounts at a place other than the registered office when once the requisite resolution of the Board is passed and the intimation thereof is filed with the Registrar of Companies.

Electoral reforms

4563. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether electoral reforms are to be introduced to bring about stability and an unfractured mandate from the electorate in the country; and

(b) if so, the action proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. THAMBI DURAI): (a) and (b) No decision has yet been taken to change the present electoral system by some other system. The Government would, however, consider giving effect to such proposals on electoral reforms on which there is concensus amongst political parties.

Workshop on 'Access to Justice'

4564. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a workshop on 'access to justice' inaugurated by the Attorney General of India, was held at Bangalore;

(b) what observations about the inefficacy of judicial system were made in the workshop and what were the main suggestions made to improve the efficacy and efficiency of the system; and

(c) the number of vacancies of judges of High Courts and Supreme Court lying at present and the backlog of cases pending with each court?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. THAMBI DURAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The workshop observed that dilatory tactics adopted by lawyers, frequent adjournments, judicial absenteeism, failure of some Judges to